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**COLLEGES REOPEN**

University students head back to post pandemic lessons amid 'unrest over dress code'

## SUSPENDED ANIMATION: Experts say all flyovers, pillars, piers in city should undergo Non-Destructive Tests as reports indicate use of 'sub-standard building materials'

# HANGING BRIDGES

## 'Time to audit all overpasses in Bengaluru'

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In the backdrop of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai admitting that 'sub-standard materials were used in the construction of the Peenya flyover', experts are of the view it is time to inspect all the flyovers including Metro pillars in Bengaluru. Experts BM spoke to said the government should now make it mandatory — just as senior citizens undergo annual health check-ups — that all the flyovers, underpasses and Metro pillars and piers are subjected to Non-Destructive Tests (NDT).

The Peenya flyover was constructed 12 years ago. Since then, many flyovers have been constructed. Now, the citizens are worried about the safety of flyovers in Bengaluru. There are many flyovers which were constructed much before the Peenya flyover was built. According to architects and engineers, just testing the flyover for durability shall not suffice, but the subsequent test report needs to be made public.

"Time has come to start checking the health of our

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**"Non-Destructive Tests should be for dynamic and static loads; should assess deflection, oscillation, vibrations and other parameters...**

— Prof MN Sreehari, traffic expert

# How Smart is Millers Road?

## 'Laying of additional 45 cm pipeline causing delay of Millers Road Smart City works'

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With the continuing delay in ongoing works at Millers Road causing a barrage of problems to nearby residents, business establishments and commuters, Urban Development Department additional chief secretary Rakesh Singh, who's also the chairman of Bengaluru Smart City, visited the spot on Wednesday.

Singh asked Bengaluru Smart City Limited (BSCL) to complete the works at the earliest.

The BSCL had taken up package development of Raj Bhavan Road and Millers Junction at a cost of Rs 35.47 crore — while the Raj Bhavan Road is completed, works are yet to wrap up along Millers Road.

According to BSCL, though the entity has been attempting to fasten the pace of the work, there has been hiccups pertaining to the works of Bangalore Water Supply Sewerage Board (BWSSB) along the stretch.

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## 3 THINGS TO DO

### 01 It's playtime, kids

The 10th Attakkalari India Biennial is now well poised for the last two weeks of live performances, film screenings and workshops and a conference. This weekend packs some serious punch with an entire evening dedicated to discussing the subject of archiving. Swedish dance company Memory Wax will be holding a two-hour-long workshop called Playground. It will be led virtually by the Memory Wax team with a dance teacher from Attakkalari coordinating it for participants in the studio. **Where: Online; When: Feb 18, 6pm - 8 pm**
**Registrations: attakkalaribiennial.org**

### 02 Carnival fun

Kydzadda, a one-stop shop for indoor games and play area for kids, is organising a special 'KYDZ KARNIVAL'. The main aim of the event is to promote physical play and the importance of being physically active which most children have missed in the last two years of the pandemic. The proceeds from the event will be donated to Mitra for Life, an NGO that promotes inclusivity for children with special needs like autism and down-syndrome. This event has specially been curated to give an opportunity to showcase their talent and also encourage.
**Where: at Kydzadda, Bannerghatta Road branch from 4 PM onwards. When: Feb 19, 4pm onwards**
**Contact: 9108 888 222/Kydzadda.com**
**Entry fee: Rs 500 (includes all activities)**

### 03 Orange Rain

Orange Rain is an acoustic band from Bengaluru who have been influenced by a wide array of artistes and musical styles from across the country. Sign up for a lovely evening of soul-stirring music with musician Twinkle.
**Where: Lahe Lahe, Indiranagar**
**When: Feb 19, 7-9 pm;**
**Register: 9886294444**

# A return to normalcy

## It was an uneventful day of classes as most PU and degree colleges reopened in Bengaluru

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Students of a government high school and pre-university college for women gather for assembly inside the premises on February 16

PU and degree colleges in the city, which had been closed due to the unrest over dress code, reopened on Wednesday under strict police vigilance. While attendance in some of the colleges remained low, students sat in classes and no incidents were recorded.

"We have resumed classes, and it was peaceful on our campus. In the morning, there were few police personnel outside the campus keeping an eye, but they slowly moved away," said Sr Rincy Joseph, principal, St Anne's PU College.

At some campuses, although students came in religious attire, they were allowed to enter the campus after removing hijabs and burqas.

"We do not have any dress code on our campus. Thus, while a handful of students came in religious attire, they were asked to remove it before entering the campus and they followed the instruction without any hue and cry. There were some police personnel outside our campus too when the classes began in the morning," said Dr Chandrashekar B, Principal, R C College.

Some other colleges in the city reported similar cases.

"While the majority of our students come to the campus in religious attire, we follow a strict dress code on the campus. Once they reach the campus, they remove it before entering their classes. This is explained to every parent during the time of admission and our students stick to the rule," said Sr Rincy.

However, some colleges allowed students to attend the classes with burqas and hijabs. "The High Court's order is applicable to educational institutions that have a dress code. Few students came in religious attire to attend classes and since we do not have a dress code, they were allowed in with the religious attire," said D S Prathima, principal, Malleswaram government first grade college.

### Low attendance

With final examinations around the corner, colleges witnessed a lower turnout than expected.

"Only around 70 per cent of the students attended the classes. This was after we reached out to the parents and explained to them the safety measures in place for covid and the ongoing unrest. "The II-year PU practical examination begins on February 21 and the board examination is starting on April 16," said a city college principal.

"Around 80 per cent of our students attended the classes on Wednesday. However, we are expecting better attendance over the coming days as final examinations are due soon. As per the university circular, the last working day is February 26 and the degree examination is expected to start from the second week of March," said Prathima.

### Elsewhere in the state

As tension simmered in Sagara government pre-university college in Shivamogga district, college authorities had to announce a holiday for the day. In DVS College in Shivamogga, the girls stood outside the college gate and told reporters they were not allowed to go in as they did not remove the hijab. In Vijayapura, girls were not allowed inside the campus as they refused to remove their burqa. Similar incidents were witnessed in Bijapur, Kalaburagi and Yadgir.

### Cong workers in dock

Malleswaram police on Wednesday detained a few Congress workers after they gathered in front of the Malleswaram women's college on 13th cross to support hijab- clad students. The protestors were seen instructing students not to remove hijab and argued with the principal about the interim order. The police first warned them and asked the protestors to leave the place as the prohibitory orders were in place. However, they demanded for a court order when the police detained them for defying orders and allegedly creating confusion.

# For and against the hijab in High Court

Senior advocate Ravivarma Kumar, appearing for the petitioners challenging the ban on hijab, on Wednesday submitted before Karnataka High Court that discrimination against Muslim girls was purely based on religion.

A bench of the three judges, comprising Chief Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi, Justice Krishna S Dixit and Justice JM Khazi, was hearing various petitions challenging the ban on hijab in educational institutes in the state on Tuesday.

If Hindu girls wearing bangles and Christian girls wearing cross are not sent out, the senior advocate asked why the government was picking on the hijab alone.

Kumar submitted that no other religious symbol was considered in the impugned government order. Kumar added that the State Education Act stated that when an educational institution intends to change uniform, it has to issue notice one year in advance to parents. He argued that if there was a ban on hijab, it should have been informed one year in advance. He also said that there are no provisions under the Karnataka Education Act nor rules of a ban on wearing a hijab.

Police stand guard as students of a PU college for women enter the premises

The Court remarked that there are no provisions for carrying the kirpan or anything which is objectionable to the classroom. The court said that because these are not mentioned in the act need not mean it might be permitted. The court further said that it is also true that it does not say hijab should be permitted or not permitted but it has to be independently argued. Meanwhile appearing for another petitioner, senior advocate Yusuf Muchhala argued that the purpose of the Education Act was not to create dissent among students. The High Court will continue hearing on Thursday various petitions challenging the ban on headscarves in educational institutes. **– ANI**

# Four students killed in car-truck collision

## Speeding car jumps over divider and crashes into truck

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Four business administration undergraduate students were killed on the spot while two others were seriously injured when the car they were travelling in collided with a truck.

The vehicle jumped the divider as it was overspeeding and the driver lost control over the vehicle and collided head-on with a truck coming from the opposite direction near the Attur Gate on National Highway 75 in the outskirts of the city in the wee hours of Wednesday.

The impact of the accident was so much that the car bearing Tamil Nadu registration was mangled and the police and passersby had to struggle hard to extricate the bodies that were stuck inside.

**Probe revealed that the victims were on a casual drive late in the night and had visited a Coffee Day outlet at Narasipura near Kolar**

The deceased have been identified as Vaishnavi, Bharath, Cyril and Venkat. The injured Siri Krishna and Ankita Reddy have been admitted to a private hospital in Hoskote and are said to be in critical condition, the police said.

The victims who hailed from Chittoor and Madanapalle are students of Garden City College and were staying at a paying guest accommodation in Bengaluru, and all the victims are aged between 21 to 23 years, the police added.

Probe revealed that the victims were on a casual drive late in the night and had visited a Coffee Day outlet at Narasipura near Kolar before returning back to the city around 2 am. While reaching Attur Gate, Venkat who was driving the car lost control of the vehicle and jumped the divider before colliding with a truck coming in front.

The Hoskote Rural police are probing further. The cops said that they had found a few bottles of liquor inside the car and suspected that it could be a case of drunk driving.

The police are awaiting a post-mortem report and the cops have also sought an inspection from a team of RTO officials to ascertain the cause of the accident.

# EV customer in cyber soup

## Man loses Rs 20K while trying to check his scooter delivery status

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A 52-year-old man who tried calling the customer care helpline of an electric scooter company to inquire about his scooter that he had ordered, was scammed by the cyber crooks, costing him Rs 20,000.

Ananth (name changed), a resident of Seshadripuram, filed a complaint with the Central CEN police station on Monday.

He told Bangalore Mirror, "I had booked an electric scooter in November and was waiting for the delivery. I had not heard from them for three months and decided to check the status of the delivery and payment process. I had only paid Rs 499 as the booking fee and decided to call the customer care number which I found on the internet."

The person who answered the call informed Ananth that he had to pay Rs 20,000 down payment and only after completing it, he shall receive the vehicle.

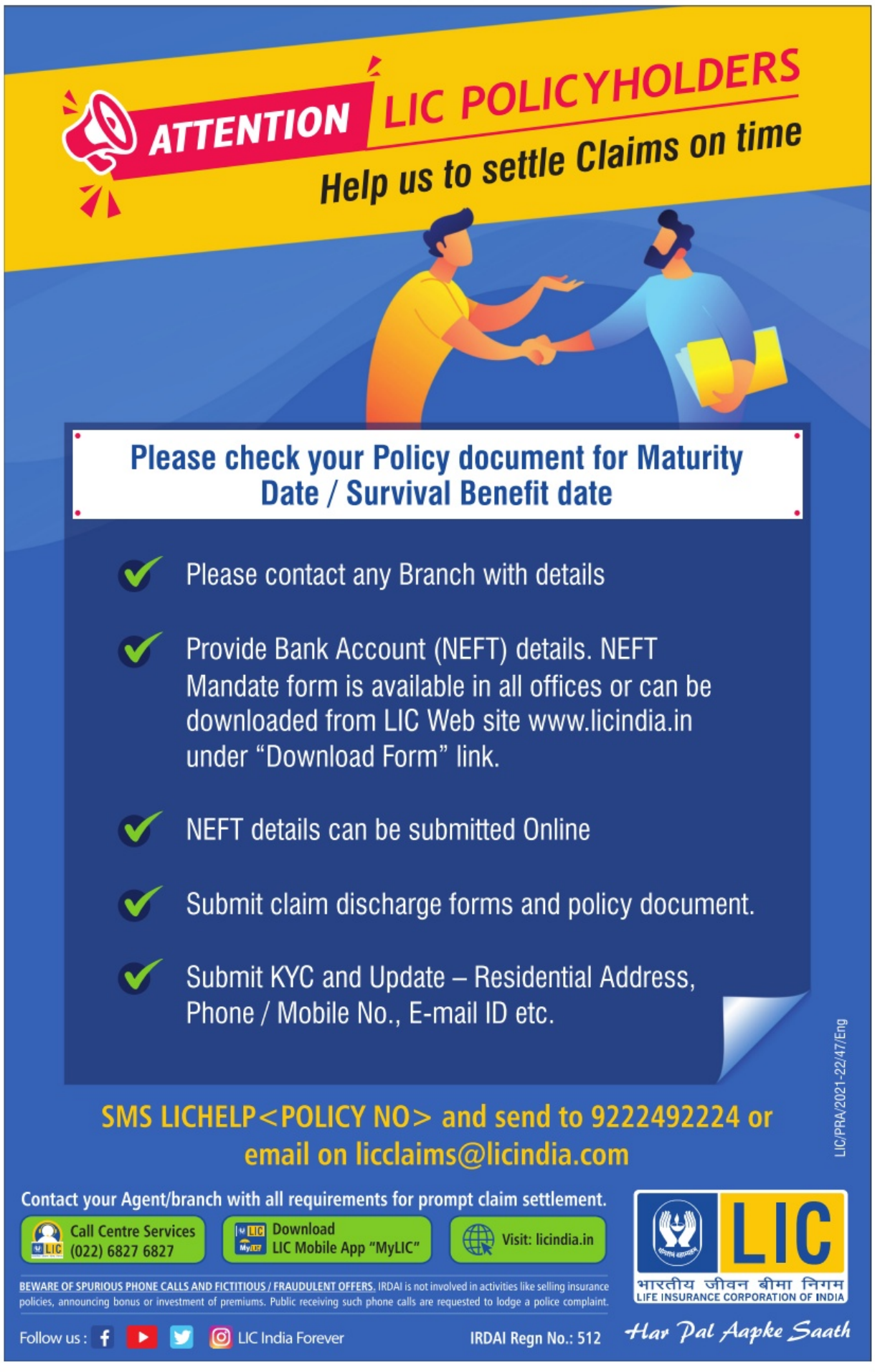
"There is neither a showroom nor an office in the city where I can visit and confirm the process. The person claiming to be the executive asked me to complete the payment and I remembered from the time of booking when officials mentioned that I had to pay Rs 20,000 down payment and pay the remaining amount after the delivery at the doorstep," he said. Ananth believed him and sent the money through an online wallet."I called him again to ask for the details of delivery when he started to ask for more money.

I realised that he was a fraud and immediately alerted the police." A senior police officer said that a lot of people do not realise that the numbers available on the internet are not the actual customer care numbers and it is the cyber crooks who are trying to trap people.

"People need to check the official website and contact the number given on the website or visit the showrooms directly to inquire about any product. People should not send money to unknown people online without checking their background," he said.

**Stay informed**
Please write to us if you have any queries about cyber safety. You can mail us on **mybangaloremirror@timesgroup.com** or **WhatsApp on +919591233247.** We will communicate with a cyber crime expert and get your questions answered.

> **"People need to check the official website of the company and contact the number given on the site to inquire about any product** – Police officer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# HC issues warrant against BBMP official

**Chief engineer in trouble after skipping court proceedings in relation to a PIL on mismanagement of roads in the city and potholes**

The High Court issued a bailable warrant against the Engineer-in-Chief for remaining absent in the court proceedings in spite of the orders.

The bench headed by the Chief Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi, which is looking into PIL regarding mismanagement of roads in city and potholes, gave the order on Tuesday.

The bench directed Police Commissioner Kamal Pant to produce the officer to the court and adjourned the matter to Thursday.

"The court does not have any problem in issuing orders. Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), the civic agency should not assume that the court will only give oral orders and would not initiate any strict measures. The court can issue stricter orders than the present one," the bench said.

The court could issue a non-bailable warrant against the officer, with little consideration that a bailable warrant had been issued. The court should not be compelled to issue harsher decisions, the BBMP advocate was told.

A file pic of a pothole in B'luru

The High Court had directed on February 7 that the BBMP engineer-in-chief should be present before the court for the inquiry to be taken up on February 15. The court had also sought information on technology used for pothole filling and measures taken on building quality roads in the city.

When the court took up the matter, an advocate representing BBMP stated that the engineer-in-chief could not be present as he is ill and asked the court to give exemption in this regard.

The bench took a serious note and angrily remarked that there is no practice of giving exemption from personal appearance. This is not a way to ask the court for exemption from personal appearance. If it was not possible to be present before the court, a submission should have been made in this regard asking for exemption. No such submission has been made. Only after the case was taken up and a query was made as to who is supposed to appear, the counsel was informed about his absence, the bench noted angrily.

The High Court has been closely monitoring civic agency's measures to fill up pothole ridden roads in Bengaluru city since last year. **–IANS**

# Cry over flyovers

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flyovers. We also need to check the Metro pillars as well as heavy trains pass every now and then. Hence, the NDT should be both for dynamic and static loads. NDT should assess the deflection, oscillation, vibrations and other parameters," traffic expert professor MN Sreehari said.

Many flyovers are seeing growth of trees on the structures. For long, there have been concerns over the quality of the KR Puram flyover while a few have been demanding it to be dismantled.

"We have seen that it took so many years for this hanging bridge to be constructed — the traffic had to be diverted via ITPB or Ramamurthy Nagar. Many fringe areas were not still developed; yet we faced so many problems. Now, if the flyover is dismantled, then the entire traffic will be stuck with nowhere to go. So, we request the authorities to take up periodic maintenance so that the public face little or no inconvenience," urged S Krishnamurthy, a techie.

Meanwhile, Sreehari suggested the contractor in question should be held responsible for the poor construction. There should be a mechanism where the construction materials should be tested in a certified lab and put through a thorough check later to ensure all the safety parameters are duly followed.

Workers lay rumble strips on the flyover and a height bar (inset) has been placed to prevent the entry of heavy vehicles

Peenya flyover, Sreehari added, has multiple problems: "As per NH standards, each lane should have a minimum width of 3.5 m. However, this flyover has only a 3-m wide lane. Overall, the flyover width should be 8.5 m considering that there is a gap on either side for two-wheelers or other vehicles to be parked in case of technical snags. Now, it is being suggested that the Peenya flyover needs to be refurbished. However, we cannot increase the width as there is Metro construction going on. Even if the flyover is to be dismantled, then the height of the pillars needs to be increased as there is a Metro line (green) running parallel to it. Overall, it looks like the problem will be compounded if it is not addressed at the earliest."

## Flyover opens to 'light' traffic

Bowing to pressure from citizens and representatives, the National Highways Authority of India opened the Peenya flyover to light commercial vehicles from Wednesday evening. From Wednesday morning, the police personnel were busy making arrangements. Now, to separate the LCVs from heavy trucks, a height bar has been installed at the entrance of the flyover. Around 500 m before the flyover ramp, a rumble strip has been set up.

"The rumble strip is necessary as the vehicles need to slow down; this will help cops to segregate the traffic so that only LCVs are allowed on the flyover," a senior police official told Mirror.

# Millers Road chaos explained

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When the works started in December, of laying water pipelines and ducts, the BWSSB had initially not stated the necessity of laying an extra pipeline; however once the works had begun, the civic body expressed the need to have 45 cm pipelines laid.

"Initially, according to the project plan, we had to lay 75 cm pipelines, which was ongoing. When work was mid-way, BWSSB asked to add 45 cm pipelines, saying it is a must-have. The addition of the 45 cm pipeline is now causing the delay. Laying of pipelines is a long procedure as it needs to be fixed and even welded in," said Chandrashekar, executive engineer, BSCL.

As BM visited the spot, the road from Vikram Hospital to Ambedkar Bhavan was dug up with both 75 cm and 45 cm pipes being laid. The contractors have been given a span of 10 days to lay the pipelines. Ducts and footpath works have been completed.

This reporter observed that the BWSSB had undertaken an impromptu digging to carry out another pipeline laying work for the nearby residents for their water connections, apparently.

BSCL engineers said they were surprised to see BWSSB carrying out further digging of the road. "Since the work is ongoing, BWSSB, all of a sudden dug up the stretch to lay pipelines, to provide water connection to nearby residents, as the latter had complained. This development is hampering the ongoing work. The connections could have been given before we started our work; but now Smart City work is further delayed," said an engineer.

Another issue, BM's told, in the ongoing work was, 'as the contractor assigned could not carry out the works professionally, BSCL had roped in BWSSB to carry out the pipeline work'.

This is the condition of the road as Smart City work progresses

BBMP chief engineer BS Prahlad had inspected the spot and asked the BWSSB to finish the work fast so that Smart City works could be carried out.

Meanwhile, roads leading to Millers Road were blocked and the traffic was diverted to other routes, triggering a traffic congestion.

"The priority is to complete this road immediately. We will have the road done before March 30. The contractor and labourers are working day and night; with traffic diversions and Millers Road now blocked, we are able to speed up the work," BSCL chief engineer Vinayak Sugur told BM. Millers Road redevelopment project was assigned in 2019; however, works commenced only in December 2021.

Vikram Hospital staff, meanwhile, pointed out that the ongoing works have been creating a terrible time for parking; more so, for the patients visiting the hospital.

"There is a lot of dust; blocked roads are causing a problem. Earlier, the road was smooth; however, after the BSCL took over, the work has been never ending. I have been coming to the hospital for OPD visits; the situation has been quite bad for the past three months," said a visitor.

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DELAY NO MORE

Repair and pipe laying works on Millers Road hit a snag, causing trouble for motorists, businesses and residents in Vasanth Nagar

On Feb 13 BM reported on the prolonged delay in executing the project to lay water pipelines

# ED arrests co-op bank prez

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has arrested the president of a city-based cooperative bank in a money-laundering case linked to alleged misappropriation of public funds to the tune of over Rs 1,000 crore, the agency said on Wednesday.

K Ramakrishna, president of Sri Guru Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, was subsequently produced before the principal city civil and sessions judge, who granted a four-day custody of the accused to the ED, it said in a statement. The federal probe agency said "officers and employees of the bank siphoned off the money deposited by the public with the bank".

**Conman jailed for laundering Rs 5.41 crore**

A Special Court for Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), Chennai, on Wednesday, convicted AAS Haroon Rasheed for the offence under the Prevention of Money-Laundering Act, 2002 and sentenced him to undergo Rigorous Imprisonment (RI) for four years and pay a fine of Rs 6 lakh and in default to undergo RI for two additional months. **Agencies**

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Piping Stress Engineering: Code (STE)
Experience in using CAESAR II and having support design knowledge

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Civil & Structural Engineering: Code (CSE)
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Experience in Basis of Design, SACS, Weight control report, STAADPro, Found 3D, MAT 3D & Revit software with exposure to design of Topsides, Substructure, Bridge, Flare, Pipe Racks, Process Structures, Equipment foundations, blast proof structures. Experience in modularized and integrated structure experience is required.

Civil Modelling / Drafting: Code (CSD)
Experience in 3D Modelling using PDS/SP3D & PDMS / E3D and CADWorx - exposure in modelling of Piperacks, Process Structures, equipment foundation. 2D knowledge with exposure to Microstation, AutoCAD and Smartsketch. Exposure to 3D Modelling of Underground systems, trenches, & Pavements and software like TEKLA would be an added advantage

Instrument Engineering: Code (INE)
Experience in Basis of design, Specification, Data sheets System architecture, DCS, Instrument Index, I/O List, TBE, VDR, Cable Schedules, Data Sheets, Control and Relief Valve sizing, F & G detector location selection / Cable block diagrams, SPI / AVEVA instrument experience in Engineering Modules.

Instrument Modelling / Drafting: Code (IND)
Experience in 3D Modelling using PDS/SP3D & PDMS / E3D software. 2D knowledge with exposure to Microstation, AutoCAD and Smartsketch. SPI Exposure in wiring module / Hook up module, Installation drawings. Preparation of F & G and Telecom layouts.

Electrical Engineering: Code (ELE)
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Electrical Modelling / Drafting: Code (ELD)
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# Litterateur Dr Chennaveera Kanavi passes away

Eminent Kannada litterateur Dr Chennaveera Kanavi passed away on Wednesday morning, following age-related complications, family sources said.

He took his last breath at SDM Hospital in Dharwad. He was 94 years old.

As a mark of respect to the litterateur, the Karnataka government has ordered that his last rites should be performed with police honours.

Born on June 29, 1928 at Hombal village in Gadag district to Sakkarappa, a school teacher, and Parvatavva, a homemaker, Kanavi had his initial schooling in the village and then he completed his higher education in Dharwad.

Kanavi had penned more than 15 books, which were a compilation of poems, a collection of essays and various other books.

The scholar had won the Sahitya Akademi award for his book 'Jeevadhwani'. Besides, he received the Rajyotsava Award, Pampa Award, Nadoja title, Nrupatunga award, Sahitya Bangara Award and several other awards.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said, "Kanavi was one of the most creative writers of Kannada literary world. He and his family were very close to me for the past four decades. He is a personification of humility who used to win hearts through his soft-spoken and gentle nature."

Dr Chennaveera Kanavi had won the Sahitya Akademi award for his book 'Jeevadhwani'

> **We are losing so many literary greats like Siddalingaiah, Champa and now Kanavi. New writers should get inspiration from these great litterateurs** –Basavaraj Bommai

Recalling that Kanavi was honoured with many prestigious awards including the Nadoja award, the Chief Minister said the litterateur raised the stature of the awards. "The Kannada literary world has suffered a huge loss in his death. It is unfortunate that we are losing so many literary greats like Champa, Siddalingaiah and now Kanavi. New writers should get inspiration from these great litterateurs and rise to attain top glory," Bommai said. **–BMB + Agencies**

# Civic body's plan not citizens' master plan

## Resident forums up against BDA's move to rope in consultants

The 74th amendment mandates BMPC as a body to be structured to support urban and town planning

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> **The regional master plan 2041 for a metropolitan city like Bengaluru has to have a broader framework for its growth and development as a mandate**
> –Vinod Jacob, Namma Bengaluru Foundation

Bengaluru citizens seem to be unhappy with the Bangalore Development Authority's (BDA's) move to get consultants for preparing the city's urban planning.

After the BDA floated tenders for the selection of consultants to prepare the Revised Master Plan 2041 for the Bengaluru Local Planning Area, citizens group Namma Bengaluru Foundation have opposed the move stating that the Bengaluru Metropolitan Planning Committee (BMPC) has to prepare the Master Plan for the city and not BDA or any other agency.

They wrote to the government after consulting various urban planners, experts, Residential Welfare Associations (RWAs) and individuals.

A letter signed by various stakeholders stating the above has been submitted to Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Urban Development minister, BA Basavaraj and Additional Chief Secretary, Urban Development Department and Commissioner of BDA, Rakesh Singh.

Vinod Jacob, general manager of Namma Bengaluru Foundation said, "The regional master plan 2041 for a metropolitan city like Bengaluru has to have a broader framework for its growth and development as a mandate. The BDA has to involve BMPC as a body to the RMP to involve urban local bodies in city governance. The 74th amendment mandates BMPC as a body to be structured to support urban and town planning."

He said the Karnataka Town and Country Planning Act 1961 also provides that there has to be a 10-year plan every decade which will in fact support RMP to build a holistic infrastructure and development of the city in the purest form. "This will ensure that the master and regional plans will have a handshake and will be a collaborative effort in planning both the city and the region."

Vijayan Menon of the Citizens Action Forum said the BDA and the Government of Karnataka keep wasting precious taxpayers' resources on these masterplan exercises which are doomed for failure because of structural, constitutional and legal issues.

DS Rajshekhar, President of Bengaluru Praja Vedike, said, "We as citizens want to ask who will be held responsible for spending crores of rupees to consultants who prepared 2,031 RMP and how will the money be recovered because it is our taxpayers money. Secondly, RMP must be prepared by BMPC and not BDA and why is it that no proper consultations are done with citizens for whom this concerns finally. We want to know which parastatal agencies have given a nod to this.This needs to be done according to the 74th amendment and thereby we oppose and condemn in letter and spirit the decision of BDA to prepare the RMP 2041."

Jagadish Reddy of Varthur Rising pointed out that Bengaluru is "practically crumbling as a city" due to unplanned & unregulated developments enabled by rampant corruption and the failure to keep in check the incompetence of city civic bodies like BDA, BBMP, BWSSB. Now, entrusting BDA the responsibility to prepare RMP 2041 is no less than a disaster. We demand the state govt to act as per the 74th Amendment and form BMPC with the required expertise.

# Mayhem in the Assembly

Pandemonium prevailed in the Karnataka Assembly on Wednesday with Minister for Rural Development and Panchayat Raj K S Eshwarappa and State Congress president D K Shivakumar charging towards each other stopping short of coming to blows.

The tense situation came up when Leader of the Opposition Siddaramaiah was making preliminary submission seeking to move an adjournment motion demanding a dismissal and sedition case against Eshwarappa for his recent statement claiming that 'Bhagwa dhwaj' (saffron flag) may become the national flag in the future.

The heated exchanges between the two began when Speaker Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri wanted to hear Eshwarappa's side as charges were made against him in the adjournment motion.

Shivakumar, opposing it, said, "We cannot allow him (Eshwarappa to speak)."

> **Siddaramaiah was making preliminary submission demanding a dismissal and sedition case against KS Eshwarappa**

To this, Eshwarappa is said to have made some comments from the place where he was seated, but it was not clearly heard amid the chaos. Shivakumar, claiming that Eshwarappa said "this (House) is not your (Shivakumar) father's property" tried to charge towards him in a fit of anger.

The State Congress chief, along with some of his party MLAs, then walked towards Eshwarappa who, too, walked from his seat towards them and came close to each other.

Realising that the situation may go out of control, the Speaker adjourned the House for lunch while Marshals, along with some MLAs from both sides, tried to pacify people indulging in heated exchanges and nearly coming to blows. **–PTI**

**Man tries to enter NSA's house**
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# Covid curbs may be eased out, states told

## Centre asks for review and amendment of additional restrictions imposed during surge in number of cases

**#NEW DELHI**

The Centre on Wednesday asked states and UTs to review and amend the additional Covid-19 restrictions that were imposed after a sudden surge in infections.

"The covid pandemic in India is showing a sustained declining trend since January 21. The average daily cases during last week were 50,476 and 27,409 new cases have been reported in the last 24 hours. The daily case positivity on February 15, 2022 has declined to 3.63 per cent," Union Health Secretary Rajesh Bhushan said in a letter.

"With the changing epidemiology of Covid-19 pandemic globally and in India, existing guidelines aimed at minimising the transmission and circulation of the virus have been reviewed and updated," he wrote in the letter.

Highlighting that the Union Health Ministry has revised guidelines for international arrivals, he asked states to amend the additional restrictions they had imposed too.

"In view of the high Covid case trajectory, certain states had imposed additional restrictions at their borders and at airports. However, while effectively managing the public health challenge of Covid-19, it is equally important that movement of people and activities should not be hampered by additional restrictions.

Bhushan has said in the letter that states should continue to monitor the trajectory of cases. **– IANS**

Schools for primary and upper primary classes reopen in Kolkata following the decrease in the number of covid cases

### International flights may resume services by April

After a 23-month ban, regular international flights may resume services in March/April.
According to CNBC TV18 reports, the government will make the decision whether or not to open up to regular international travel in the summer schedule.
International flights are set to resume soon with the aviation ministry setting an internal target of resumption of the services once domestic capacity touches 80% of pre-Covid flights. "Since domestic flights are returning fast, it may happen soon," a person in the know told ET. Domestic airlines operated more than 2,800 flights before the pandemic in 2020. On Sunday, they operated 2,058 flights and to reach 80% of the pre-Covid level, the number has to go over 2,200.
The aviation ministry had earlier announced plans to resume regular international flights starting December 15, 2021, but rescinded that order due to the rise in Omicron cases. **– ET Online**

# MEA control room to help Indians in Ukraine; more flights too likely

**#New Delhi**

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) on Wednesday set up a control room to provide information and assistance to Indian nationals in Ukraine in view of the prevailing situation in that country over its tensions with Russia.

In addition, the Indian embassy in Ukraine has also set up a 24-hour helpline for the Indians in the eastern European nation.

Separately, the Indian embassy in Kyiv said it has been receiving calls about the non-availability of flights from Ukraine to India and advised Indians not to panic, but book the earliest available and convenient flights to travel home.

"The embassy of India has been receiving several appeals about non-availability of flights from Ukraine to India. In this regard, students are advised not to resort to panic, but book the earliest available and convenient flights to travel to India," it said in a statement.

It said the Ukrainian International Airlines, Air Arabia, Fly Dubai and Qatar Airways are operating flights at present from Ukraine.

"To meet the additional demand, more flights are being planned in the near future, including from Ukrainian International Airlines, Air India, etc. Details on the same would be shared by Embassy as and when confirmed," the embassy said.

The embassy on Tuesday advised Indian citizens, especially the students,to temporarily leave that country in view of the uncertainties of the current situation.

It also asked Indian nationals to avoid all non-essential travel to and within Ukraine.

The MEA said a control room has been set up in the ministry to provide information and assistance.

The contact details of the control room in Delhi are: Phone +91 11 23012113, +91 11 23014104, +91 11 23017905 and 1800118797 (toll free). Email: situationroom@mea.gov.in.

The contact details of the helpline in the Indian embassy in Ukraine are: Phone, +380 997300428 +380 997300483, Email: cons1.kyiv@mea.gov.in.

The Indian embassy in Kyiv said it has been receiving calls about the non-availability of flights from Ukraine to India

Official sources said the government is exploring the possibility of increasing the number of flights between India and Ukraine to facilitate the return of Indians from that country.

Discussions are underway with civil aviation authorities and various airlines on how to increase the number of flights between India and Ukraine, the sources said.

According to an official document in 2020, Ukraine had a small but vibrant Indian community and there were about 18,000 Indian students studying in that country.

The data is likely to vary in view of the pandemic.

The embassy issued the advisory amid escalating tension between Moscow and the NATO countries over Russia's increasing military build-up close to the Ukrainian border.

The US has already sent extra troops to Europe to support its allies in the backdrop of fears of a Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Russia has positioned around 100,000 troops near its border with Ukraine besides sending warships into the Black Sea for naval exercises, triggering concerns among the NATO countries about a potential invasion of Ukraine.
Russia has been denying that it plans to invade Ukraine. It withdrew some of its forces from the border on Tuesday.

# Huawei raided over tax evasion, firms says cooperating

**#New Delhi**

The Income Tax department on Wednesday carried out raids at multiple premises linked to Chinese tech conglomerate Huawei across the country in connection with alleged tax evasion. A source told IANS that the raids were being conducted in the National Capital Region (NCR), Bengaluru and some other parts of the country.

The officials of the IT team scanned a number of account books belonging to the company, according to the source, adding that the financial records of the last three years and company records were also checked.

The tax department officials prepared a list of associates, clients and partners of the company which includes its foreign and country based partners.

The source said that during the raid, they have recovered a few incriminating documents. The company told IANS in a statement that it is confident that its operations in India are firmly compliant to all laws and regulations. **– IANS**

# Helmet to be mandatory for kids below 4 years on bikes

**#New Delhi**

The road transport ministry on Wednesday notified new rules to make the use of safety harness and crash helmet mandatory for children below the age of four years on motorcycles.

The new rules state that the speed of a motorcycle with a child up to the age of four years being carried on the pillion will not be more than 40 kmph.

These rules will come into force after one year from the date of publication of the Central Motor Vehicles (Second Amendment) Rules, 2022.

"The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, vide notification dated February 15, 2022 has amended Rule 138 of CMVR, 1989 and has prescribed norms related to safety measures for children below four years of age, riding or being carried on a motor cycle," the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways said in a statement.

"This has been notified under Section 129 of the Motor Vehicles Act, which mandates that the central government may, by rules, provide for measures for the safety of children below four years of age, riding or being carried on a motor cycle. Further, it specifies use of a safety harness and crash helmet. It also restricts speed of such motor cycles to 40 kmph," the ministry said.

For children below four years, safety harness shall be used for attaching the child to the driver of the motorcycle, the ministry said.

Safety harness is a vest to be worn by the child, which shall be adjustable, with a pair of straps attached to the vest and forming shoulder loops to be worn by the driver. This way, the upper torso of the child is securely attached to the driver. **– PTI**

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Since you have had intercourse, you are not a virgin. It will be difficult to identify whether a person has had intercourse or if masturbation has helped her along.

**2 I am 58 years old and my sexual performance was good for all these years. But for the last 10 days, I am unable to get erections even after sufficient foreplay. It is embarrassing. I had homeopathic medicine for viral fever a week ago. Could that be the cause? I don't even have morning erections any more. Only after a lot of stimulation, am I able to masturbate. Please suggest a remedy.**
Physical fitness is essential. To have good sex, you need to exercise daily and follow a healthy diet. Increase the foreplay for your partner to ensure her orgasm first, and only after that should you have sexual intercourse. If you are ejaculating rapidly, try the application of a local anaesthetic over the glans penis. Wait for 15 minutes and wipe off the excess before you initiate sex.

**3 I'm a 30-year-old man. Last week, when I was about to ejaculate, I tried the stop-and-hold method by using pelvic floor muscles and I ejaculated much later. Since then, I'm experiencing pain in my penis and a burning sensation. I also feel like urinating constantly. I visited a physician, he advised me to undergo a routine urine test and ultrasound scanning. Both seem normal.**
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# Cancer care for li'l ones

## Follow the tips to provide them your best parental support

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Cancer is a collection of numerous connected conditions. It is a disorder in which aberrant cells divide uncontrollably, invade neighbouring tissues, and spread to other body parts via the blood and lymphatic systems. While it can affect both infants and adults, the manner in which it manifests itself is extremely different. Additionally, the areas of the body where cancer most frequently arises change between children and adults.

"Common childhood cancers are blood-related (Leukemia, Lymphoma), brain tumours, eye-related (Retinoblastoma), and abdominal cancers like Neuroblastoma, Wilm's Tumor and bone tumors. Although a small number of childhood cancer cases are due to genetic abnormalities, the reasons for most childhood cancers are unknown," explains Dr. Rahulkumar Chavan, Consultant Surgical Oncologist, Fortis Hiranandani Vashi.

Dr Asmita Mahajan, Neonatologist & Pediatrician, says childhood cancer is extremely stressful, not just for the child undergoing it but also for the whole family. "Stress begins at the time of diagnosis when families are confronted by the tremendous burden of understanding the disease & medical terms, and sometimes facing the possibility of the child's death at a young age. This leads to a disruption in the family life as they struggle with frequent hospital visits, overwhelming medical bills, and an uncertain future. Add to that there are stressful and sometimes painful medical procedures," she adds.

> **During treatment, assisting families of cancer patients in coping with these traumatic circumstances should be a priority**

**Dr Chavan and Dr Mahajan discuss critical aspects of cancer care for children:**
If your child is less than a year old, it is advised to comfort your baby by holding and gently touching them. Skin-to-skin contact is ideal. Bring familiar items from home, such as toys or a blanket. Familiar sights and smells can help them feel more secure. Talk or sing to your child since the sound of your voice is soothing. Try to keep up with feeding and bedtime routines as much as possible.

If a child is 1-3 years old, they tend to have a deep sense of fear of being away from their parents and want to know if something will hurt them. Toddlers like to play, so find safe ways to let your child play. Prepare your child ahead of time if something will hurt them, as not doing so will cause them to become fearful and anxious.

When dealing with cancer in children between 3-5 years, it is best to provide them with age-appropriate information. Ask the doctor if the child may touch the models, machines, or supplies (tubes, bandages, or ports) so that they can get acquainted with them. If a test or treatment may hurt, prepare your child in advance. It is a good idea to distract them with stories as well.

It is critical to understand that childhood cancer is both a physical and an emotional illness. During treatment, assisting families in coping with these traumatic circumstances should be a priority. Additionally, it is critical to keep in mind that, while treatment is effective for many children with cancer, it may not be effective for all children. If your child's cancer cannot be cured or controlled, it is referred to as 'advanced cancer or end-stage cancer.' Here are some strategies for coping with a diagnosis in this case:

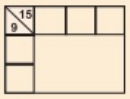
- Ask for help and support: The people on your child's healthcare team have helped other families facing similar situations. Talk with them to learn what can help your child & the family cope with end-of-life decisions, concerns and emotions.
- Be honest with your child: Because you want to protect your child, it may be hard to know how to talk with them because treatment is not working. Work with your child's healthcare team to get truthful information that your child can understand. As hard as this may seem, talking honestly with your child can help your child.
- Help your child to open up: Your child may be picking up cues from friends, family, and others that treatment is not going well. Some children remain silent about what they know or suspect because they do not want to upset you or see you cry. Children may try to protect you from their worries or fears. Letting your child know that he/she can share anything with you, can help her feel less scared and alone.
- Let your child have fun: Take cues from your child. If they feel up to doing something, encourage it—and if he doesn't, let that be okay. If there is a birthday or holiday that your child is looking forward to, feel free to celebrate that day earlier.
- Share your spiritual beliefs: Your spiritual beliefs may comfort and help your child, just as they do you and others in your family. Some parents find it helps to have a member from their religious community talk with their child and the family.
- Keep making memories: Talk about fun times and special memories. Write, draw, or make a photo book together if your child feels up to it. Talk about extraordinary things your child has done that people will never forget. Some children choose to write letters or give some of their toys to the people they love.
- Take it one day at a time: As you go through this time, remember to care for yourself. You have come a long way, and you are doing a fantastic job. You are stronger than you think. Choose to make the most of each day, living fully in the present— and in so doing, helping your child to do the same. Sometimes simple things are the most meaningful for both you and your child.

## SOLVE IT IN A MINUTE

Add 125% of 60 to 40% of 125 then divide that result by 250% of 4. What is the result?

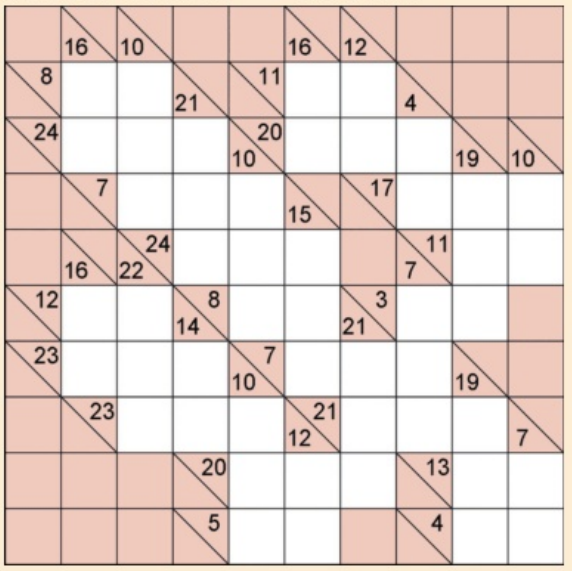
## Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas




for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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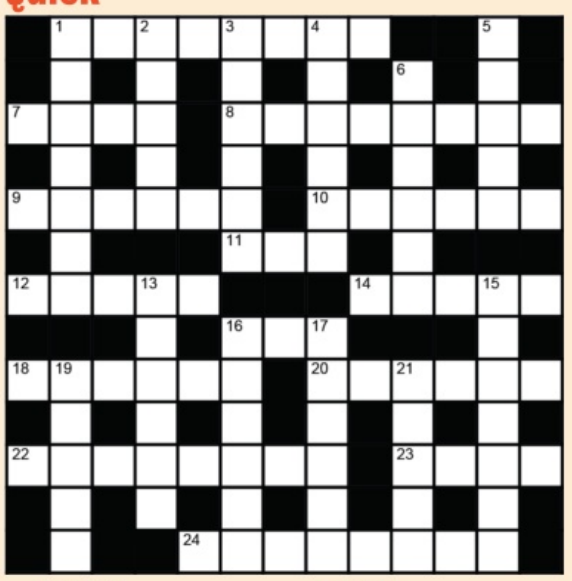


**ACROSS**

1 Forsake or relinquish (8)
7 Mr. Palekar of Bollywood (4)
8 Mistrusts or disbelieves (8)
9 Nevertheless (4,2)
10 Alcoholic drink (3-3)
11 Fishing implement (3)
12 Choice group (5)
14 Sun-dried brick (5)
16 In favour of (3)
18 False; counterfeit (6)
20 Only just (6)
22 Disconcert (8)
23 Hat's edge (4)
24 Moving rhythmically with music? (8)

**DOWN**

1 Dismissal from office (7)
2 Artificial fibre (5)
3 _____ Lake: Picnic spot north east of the city. (6)
4 Changed to money (6)
5 Courtyard (5)
6 Asked for alms (6)
13 Went sightseeing (6)
15 Giving false notion of? (7)
16 Merchant of Venice lawyer (6)
17 Being or entity (6)
19 After that time (5)
21 Jewish priest (5)

## Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

**Today's CLUE: R EQUALS H**

JRTX CSSL PTAHQQN H WHX RT YHQQN UI MDSBULTXYT, JRTX TBUQ AHIT.

## Linemaro

I make more money than you can spend, honey

## Mindchow

Beauty is not in the face; beauty is a light in the heart

## Joke of the day

For every action, there is an equal and opposite criticism

## Loop

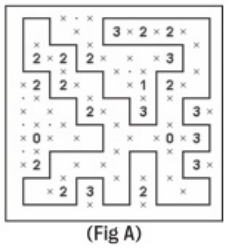
### Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

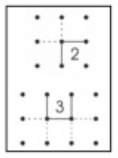
### How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)

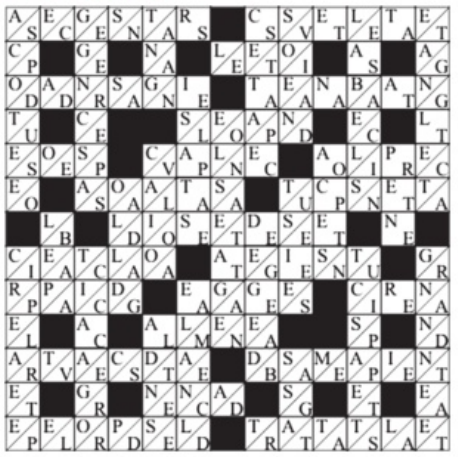


(Fig A)



(Fig B) Not Allowed

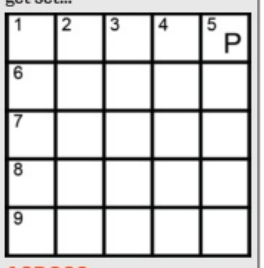
## Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

## Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...




**ACROSS**

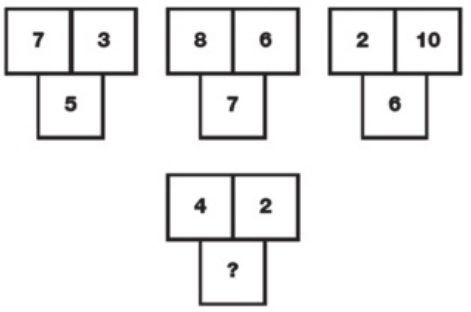
1 Tamps; 6 Iliac;
7 Tra-la; 8 Ore he;
9 Up Rod

**DOWN**

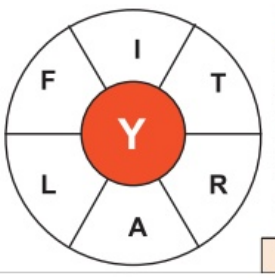
1 Scrap; 2 Litre;
3 Loath; 4 Ma IOU;
5 Raped

## Mensapuzzle

Which number replaces the question mark and completes the puzzle?




## Bull's eye




How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

06 Average; 07 Good; 09 Outstanding

## SudokuChallenge

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| | 3 | 2 | | | | | 7 | |
| 5 | | | 4 | | | | 9 | |
| | | | 5 | | 6 | 4 | | 3 |
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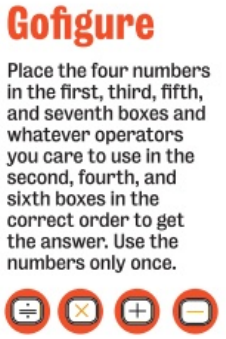
| 8 | | 4 | 9 | | 3 | | | |
| | 5 | | | | 2 | | | 8 |
| | 4 | | | | | 6 | 2 | |
| 2 | | 3 | | | 5 | | | 4 |

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

## Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

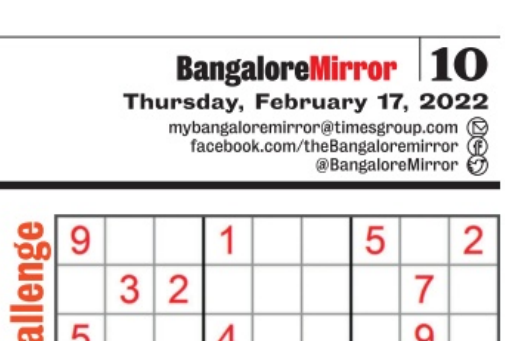


Easy = 2
2 3 6 9

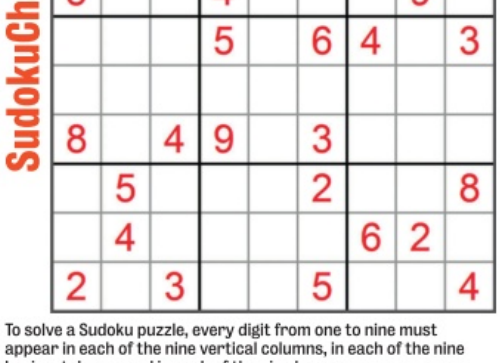
Medium = 13
1 4 8 9

Hard = 20
3 8 9 5

## Hocusfocus




Find at least six differences in details between panels.



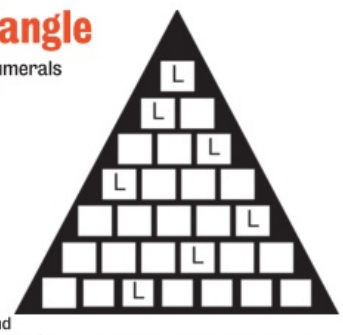
**Differences:** 1. Arm is lower. 2. Stick is different. 3. Pocket on golf bag is higher. 4. Branch is shorter. 5. Thumb is moved. 6. Hair is different.

## Riddler

For each of the following, find a word that may be appended to each of the three words in the group to form three new valid words. For example, given: "friend, owner, dealer", you would need to find the word "ship", which, when appended to these words, results in the three new valid words: "friendship", "ownership", and "dealership" respectively. **1.** gar, low, wonder **2.** fox, man, sink

## Alpha triangle

1 Fifty in Roman numerals
2 Note to follow so
3 Indian dish
4 Go ahead
5 Utopian
6 Sent by post
7 Predicament



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

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## Diamond Lil

## Hart of the city

WHAT ARE YOU MAKING, NANDALI-JOON?
A HOLIDAY GIFT FOR A NEW FRIEND!
GREAT! WHEN YOU'RE DONE, YOU CAN GET STARTED ON MY GIFT.
HM...
NO, I WANT A JACKET. YOU KNOW MY MEASUREMENTS.
ISN'T MY SMILE A GOOD GIFT?
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## Crankshaft

I THINK THE SMOKE STORM MAY BE STARTING TO ABATE A LITTLE.
SORRY... IT'S THE FIRST FIRE OF THE YEAR...
AND I ALWAYS FORGET TO OPEN THE FLUE!
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## Mutts

WHAT'S IT LIKE TO WORK FOR SANTA ON CHRISTMAS EVE?
HO HO
IT'S GREAT, MOOCH! SANTY AND I HAVE A VERY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT...
HE GETS THE COOKIES -I GET THE MILK.
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# WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

**Aries** Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today, you are blessed by the moon. This may give you confidence. You may be able to make important decisions confidently. You are decisive also, so you may grab the opportunity without a second thought. You may spend money in family and friends. Love birds may enjoy their happy moments. Job aspirants may get a suitable job with the help of friends.

**Taurus** Apr 21 – May 20
Today, you may feel dull. You may not enjoy your day. You may be a victim of arrogance. This may affect your professional and domestic life. You may internally feel lack of confidence, which may stop you from doing something creative at work.

**Gemini** May 21 – Jun 21
Today, you advised to keep your straightforward nature in check. It is important to remember that words have consequences. It is also advisable to not make big investments today, whether it be in artifacts or in some luxurious items. Today is a day of trying to keep calm. If you find your mind to be racing, you may try meditation or immerse yourself in activities you enjoy.

**Cancer** Jun 22 – July 23
Today, you may make quick decisions, which may give benefits in day-to-day life. You may make some difficult decisions with the help of your colleagues; you may get success easily. Property-related disputes between siblings may get resolved. You may also expect some short trips.

**Leo** Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today, you are advised to control your straightforwardness. Your loose words may affect people around you. You may spend your hard-earned money in buying some worthless stuffs. Your mind may work very fast; it is advised to make any important decision with patience.

**Virgo** Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today, you may not feel better. Old health issues may arise; it may make you upset. You may make some wrong decisions due to impatience and hurry. It is advised to think twice before making any decision. It is advised not to keep money loose, otherwise you may spend it on buying worthless stuffs.

**Libra** Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today, there may be peace in the mind. You may plan to invest some capital in the business, which may increase liquidity into your business. Your earnings may boost your financial health. You may enjoy romantic moments with your spouse, which may enhance harmony in the family life. Singles may find a suitable match. Love birds may make decisions to get married. Students will be blessed by good karma.

**Scorpio** Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today, you may be very happy; your losses may convert into profits. Your seniors may be happy and appreciate your work. You may have some changes into your place, position or responsibilities at work, in terms of promotions. Your opponents and hidden enemies may come under control now. Singles and love birds may make important decisions in terms of marriage with the help of relatives or friends.

**Sagittarius** Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today, you are blessed by the moon, which may make you happy. last week's crunch are now over. With the help of blessings, you may get reciprocation of your hard work. With the help of your subordinates, you may be able to initiate your postponed works. There will be some gains in your business, which may boost your finance.

**Capricorn** Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today, you may feel dull. You may face some health issues. You are advised to postpone making investments into the business. It is also advised not to start a new venture. You are likely to face losses in the business. Your gains may convert into losses.

**Aquarius** Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today, you are blessed by the moon. You may be able to make quick decisions in the professional front. You may expect to get new opportunities in terms of business, which may boost your confidence level. You are likely to start some new innovation with the help of your partner, which may increase your business in the near future.

**Pisces** Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today, you are blessed by the moon. You may perform well at work; you may expect some promotions or transfer in terms of gains. You may also plan to change your current job. Your relationship with the boss may boost now. Chronic health issues will be resolved now, which may make your family happy.

## KIDZONE

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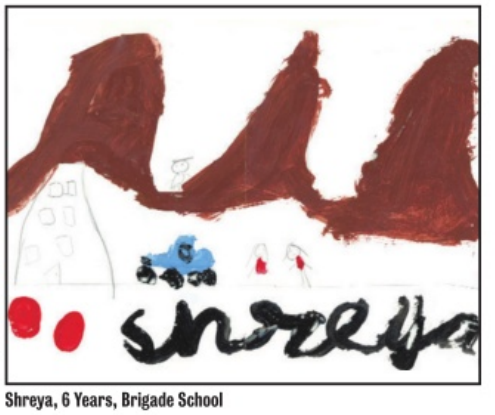

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# SOLUTIONS

**SOLVE IN 1M**
(1.25*60+.4*125)/(2.5*4)
(75+50)/10
125/10
12.5

**BULL'S EYE**
airy, fairly,
fairy, flay, flirty,
FRAILTY, fray,
ratify, tray

**STRIKE OUT**

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**FAST FIVE**

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**RIDDLER**
1. land – garland,
lowland, wonderland,
2. hole – foxhole,
manhole, sinkhole

**QUICK**

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**SUDOKU**

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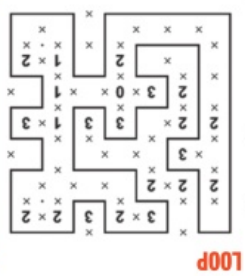
**MENSA PUZZLE**
3. In each group of 3 numbers, the lower number equals the average of the top two numbers.

**QUOTE UNCODE**
When good befalls a man he calls it Providence, when evil Fate.

**ALPHA TRIANGLE**
L, La, Dal, Lead, Mailed, Dilemma.

**GO FIGURE**
Easy
3 + 6 – 9 + 2 = 2
Medium
9 – 4 + 8 x 1 = 13
Hard
3 x 8 + 5 – 9 = 20

**LOOP**



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**Last rites today**

Bappi Lahiri's last rites rituals will begin at 9 am. His mortal remains will be taken from his home to the Vile Parle cremation ground. Following the rituals, his mortal remains will be cremated around 10 am

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# As the disco lights fade...

## We bid adieu to the king of disco Bappi Lahiri with a look at his best songs

Just when India was reeling from the loss of legendary singer Lata Mangeshkar, it woke up to the loss of another pillar of the music industry, the evergreen 'Disco King', Bappi Lahiri. The composer-singer passed away on Tuesday night after battling Obstructive Sleep Apnea. He was 69.

Born as Alokesh Lahiri, music ran in his blood as both his parents, Aparesh Lahiri and Bansuri Lahiri, were Bengali singers and musicians in classical music and Shyama Sangeet.

Singer Kishore Kumar, who crooned a lot of melodies for him, was his maternal uncle. Even though there was a plethora of talented singers and musicians, Bappi Da had made a distinct identity for himself with his unique voice and melodious compositions. His career spanned over four decades, starting with the 1973 film, 'Nanha Shikari' and his first Hindi composition was 'Tu Hi Mera Chanda' sung by Mukesh.

He had made a record by composing for 12 super-hit silver jubilee movies starring Jeetendra as the lead hero in the period 1983-1985. He entered the Guinness Book of World Records for recording over 180 songs for 33 films in 1986. His last song was for 'Baaghi 3' in 2020. Bappi Da was vividly remembered for his out-there persona, adorned with gold jewellery and black goggles.

Although it is impossible to pick and choose from the plethora of hit songs composed and sung by the legend, here are some of his best songs, which have the magical power of not just invoking emotions, but also staying with us long after the song finishes. That was the power of the genius, Bappi Da.

1 **'I am a Disco Dancer':** Who can ever forget the iconic Mithun Chakraborty and his signature moves in a shining silver costume in this song from the film 'Disco Dancer'? Mithun Da tasted success with this trendsetting song, composed by Bappi Lahiri and sung by Vijay Benedict. The song became a raging hit and is still one of the most standout compositions from the 80s. Bappi Da used ample synthesizers and popularised the use of synthesized disco music in Indian cinema.

2 **'Yaar Bina Chain Kahan Re':** Another gem in his discography is undoubtedly this foot-tapping number from the 1985 film, 'Saheb', starring Anil Kapoor and Amrita Singh. Crooned by the composer himself and S Janaki, this song was a monstrous hit. From its costume to its set design, to its instrumentation, this song has '80s' written all over it.

3 **'Raat Baaki Baat Baaki':** This raging hit from 'Namak Halal' (1982), voiced by the legendary Asha Bhonsale was not just composed but also co-sung by Bappi Da. It was picturised on the mesmerising beauty, Parveen Babi, Shashi Kapoor and Amitabh Bachchan.

4 **'Pyaar Manga Hai Tumhise':** Bappi Da was not just a disco-themed composer, but also an extremely versatile one. This heart-warming song, sung by Kishore Kumar was from the 1978 film 'College Girl'.

5 **'Kisi Nazar Ko Tera':** While most people remember Bappi Da as the one who brought disco music to the Indian Film industry, not many people are privy to the work he has done in other genres of music like ghazals. This heart-touching ghazal, which has a melancholy tone and reeks of pain, was composed by none other than Bappi Da himself.

Sung in the soulful voice of Bhupendra and Asha Bhonsale, this song is from the 1985 film, 'Aitbaar' starring Raj Babbar, Dimple Kapadia and Suresh Oberoi.

6 **'Naino Mai Sapna':** This song from the film 'Himmatwala' (1983) was a stupendous success and so was the film. It was pivotal in establishing Sridevi in Hindi cinema. Picturised on Jeetendra and Sridevi, this song was composed by Bappi Da and crooned by the evergreen pair of Asha Bhonsale and Kishore Kumar.

7 **'Tamma Tamma Loge':** This song from the film 'Thanedaar' (1990) became an instant chartbuster due to its quirky dance moves and lyrics. The dance steps were very similar to the famous Michael Jackson song 'Bad'. It was picturised on Sanjay Dutt and Madhuri Dixit and choreographed by the Late Saroj Khan. It was crooned by Bappi Da and Anuradha Paudwal.

8 **'Mana Ho Tum Behad Haseen':** Another melody by Bappi Da, was this song, from the 1978 film, 'Toote Khilone', starring Shekhar Kapur and Shabana Azmi. Shabana's father Kaifi Azmi penned the lyrics for this song. It has been sung in the dreamy voice of Yesudas. This song too became a super-duper hit.

9 **'Aao Tumhe Chand Pe Le Jayen':** Sung in the voice of the Nightingale, Lata Mangeshkar herself, this song from the 1975 film 'Zakhmee' was one of Bappi Da's early hits. Picturised on Sunil Dutt and Asha Parekh, this song is such a melodious lullaby that it feels like a mother humming it for her little angel. It is an angelic composition and has the power to move anyone with its soulful lyrics and lovely music.

10 **'Kabhi Alvida Na Kehna':** The song that we all have sung while saying our goodbyes during school and college farewells and which makes us teary-eyed without fail, is truly this masterpiece by Bappi Da from the 1978 film 'Chalte Chalte', starring Simi Garewal and Vishal Anand.

—ANI

**God bless** your soul Bappi Da. Would have never become a star without your music. My condolence to the Lahiri family. You may have left us but your music will always remain in our hearts.

—Govinda

**"This is** a big loss for the Hindi Music Industry. Today we've lost a gem with a golden heart & a golden voice while the heaven found it's treasure. You'll be truly missed, Bappi Da... Rest in eternal melodious peace."

—Madhuri Dixit

**Share with us the lines of your favourite BAPPI LAHIRI song**
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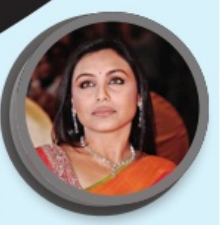
**The Gold** Standard in music. The Disco King forever. He will be truly missed forever. RIP Bappida

—Karan Johar



**"India has** again lost one of her precious gems... Bappi uncle is and will always be the most iconic musical personality of Indian cinema. His music was legendary, his versatility as a composer was unmatched."

—Rani Mukerjee